CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: Hey Gang Teach Me To Bang 04

Other known title(s): Hey Gang! Teach Me To Bang! 4

OFLC ref: 1001439.000

Medium: DVD

Distributor: Eden Digital Ltd

Director: Not stated

Producer: Not stated

Country of origin: United States

Language: English

Applicant: Film & Video Labelling Body

Classification:	Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 15 September 2010

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

	Components	**Running time**
Menu:	Play Feature Scenes	
Feature(s):	Hey Gang Teach Me To Bang 04	108:08
Untimed component(s):	Notices	
Total running time:		108:08

Summary of reasons for decision:

The DVD consists of three lengthy scenes that explicitly depict sexual activity between individual women and groups of four or five men. Each scene contains a high extent and degree of degrading, dehumanising and demeaning sexual conduct towards the women. This conduct, and the manner in which it is presented, results in the women involved, and by extension women in general, being highly degraded, dehumanised and demeaned, and effectively being represented as inherently inferior to men. The pervasiveness of the problematic material is such that excisions are impractical and a classification of objectionable is necessary in order to avoid the risk of injury to the public good.

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The criteria applied by the Classification Office resulting in the limit on the availability of this publication are prescribed by law. The publication depicts sexual conduct that degrades, dehumanises and demeans the women involved, and women more generally, to such an extent and degree so as to render the publication objectionable. This classification is an interference with freedom of expression but is the only outcome available that is consistent with preventing injury to the public good, given the nature of the material.